

The monthly bulletin of the
Bar Hill Residents Association,
distributed to all residents.

New Residents

We welcome this month:

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, 161 Pheasant Rise; Mr. and Mrs. Thorn, 108 Pheasant Rise
Mr. and Mrs. Rounph, 120 Pheasant Rise; Mr. and Mrs. Dwyer, 93 Pheasant Rise
Mr. and Mrs. Knight, 141 Pheasant Rise; Dr. and Mrs. Barnes, 132 Pheasant Rise
Mr. and Mrs. Fosh, 119 Pheasant Rise; Dr. and Mrs. Beal, 25 Pheasant Rise
Mr. and Mrs. Paisey, 95 Pheasant Rise; Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert, 136 Pheasant Rise
Mr. and Mrs. Finch, 145 Pheasant Rise.

Bar Hill Parent Teacher Association:

MAY DAY FETE - 18th May 1974

The Annual May Day Fete will be held in the School on Saturday, 18th May 1974. It will be opened at 2.00 p.m. by the Rt. Hon. Francis Pym M.P. There will be displays, stalls, games, competitions and raffles. Programmes will be on sale soon, cost 5p. Please come and support this annual family event to raise funds for extra equipment for our school.

HELP! Workers wanted for May Day. If you can help before the day - or on the day - please inform Mr. Norton, the Headmaster, at the school.

ANY OLD IRON? Well, not quite! But we do need toys, books and items for other stalls. We'll come and collect on 13th and 14th May: let Mr. Norton (at school) or Kevin Devine (61 Fox Hollow, C.H. 80358) know if you want the collectors to call.

Bar Hill Scout Group

Bingo Session, 4th May, 8 p.m. in the Church Centre. Profits of the evening will go to the funds of the Bar Hill Scout Group. Prizes will amount to 50% of the entrance and playing fees: entrance 5p; 5p per card. Persons under 18 cannot be admitted. Please support us!

Collection of Newspapers. Last month we announced that the Scout Group would be collecting old newspapers to raise funds. The Cubs and Scouts will begin collecting this month. Please can you tie newspapers up in convenient bundles and place outside for collection on the morning of the collecting date: 11th May 1974.

Bar Hill Church Centre

NEARLY NEW SALE: Tuesday, 7 May, 8 - 9.30 p.m.; Wed. 8 May, 10 - 12

Note: the commission to Church funds will have to be increased from $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{3}$ of the sale price, if it is to be worth holding sales.

We will stay until 1 p.m. on Wednesday, and hope that customers who have clothes in the sale will collect them (or their money) by then.

We reserve the right to give unsold clothes to jumble, unless you collect them, or telephone me (80542). This is because Nearly New tends to look Nearly Old after storage, and many items seem to have been abandoned.

Clothes for this next sale (clean and unjumbly - remember, it's NEARLY NEW) should be brought in marked with your name and sale price - of which you will receive two-thirds.

Judith Dale

8 O'Clock Club

On Thursday, 2nd May at 8 o'clock in the School, a Fashion Show of budget clothes for all ages. We also invite you to a Can-Can coffee evening (Bring and Buy a Tin) on Wednesday, 8th May, 8 p.m. at 21 Acorn Avenue. We are again in charge of the cake stall at the May Day Fair at the school on 18th May: any contributions or offers of help will be gratefully received.

Newcomers

We start May with our coffee morning on the 2nd: at Mrs. Medlar, 46 Fox Hollow, from 10 a.m.; everyone welcome, children with mums and people on their own. Afternoon meetings (alternate Thursdays at 2 p.m. in the Church Centre, tea served, Creche for the under-5's): 9th, Rev. Richard Smart "An uncommercial traveller"; 23rd, a Policewoman from Mid-Anglia Constabulary will give a talk with slides.

Bar Hill Horticultural Society and Gardening Club

Advance notice. Some time in July there will be the Annual Flower Show. This will probably be run in conjunction with the Residents Association's Fair, as was the case last year. All are welcome, even non-members, to enter any flowers, vegetables or pot plants for this amateur competition - the more the merrier!

Outing. An outing has been proposed, to Sandringham on Sunday, 2nd June, for the Club's members, families and friends. It seems most economical and flexible for several members to take their cars and carry passengers, the cost of the petrol to be divided among the number of people in the car. All names, please, including those of people wishing to take their cars on a share-the-cost basis, to the Secretary, Mrs. Botfield, 7 Almond Grove. Cost of entry to the gardens (30p per person) allows access to the fine gardens, an interesting museum (old royal cars, carriages, etc.), and there are refreshment and picknicking facilities available.

Trading Shop. We are still looking for more permanent accommodation for our gardening trading shop, such as a garage or large shed for which we would pay a rent (please contact the Secretary); but in the meantime Mr. Reece has very kindly lent his shed for this purpose on Sunday mornings; his house is in Gladeside, next to the fire road.

May Day Fete. There is a garden produce stall, which has been most successful in raising money. Anybody dividing up border plants, or wishing to get rid of any other plants, please save them and bring to the Fete before 10 a.m. on 18th May.

Roman Catholic Masses

Last Thursday of the month for the next 3 months:

30th May; 27th June; 25th July. At 7.30 p.m. in the Church Centre.

Cambs. Society for Autistic Children

There will be a coffee morning and Tuppaware demonstration at the home of Mrs. Margaret Heppell, 56 Fox Hollow, on Tuesday, 14th May from 10.30 to 12. Proceeds will be in aid of the Cambridgeshire Society for Autistic Children. All those interested will be most welcome.

National Gardens Scheme 1974

The following gardens in this region will be open during May, in aid of District Nurses Benefit Funds and National Trusts Gardens:

Sunday, 12th May Leckhampton, Corpus Christi College, Grange Road, Cambridge.
2 - 7 p.m. Admission 10p, Children 5p.

Sunday, 19th May Abbots Ripton Hall, Huntingdon. Teas. Admission 15p (5p)

Sunday, 26th May Tetworth Hall, Sandy. Tea and biscuits. 15p (children 5p)

Times of admission: 2 - 7 p.m.

Dry cleaning and shoe repairs

A reminder that it is now possible to have your clothes dry-cleaned and your shoes repaired, without leaving Bar Hill: Archer's (in the Mall) are agents for both services and will be glad to give you further details.

Swavesey Village College Parents' Meeting

There will be a private meeting in the Church Centre at 8 pm on Thursday 2 May, for all parents and potential parents of children at Swavesey Village College. Certain matters of concern were raised at the annual parish meeting, and the purpose of this meeting is to discuss such matters and put them in order so that some action may be taken. Only Bar Hill parents, and members of the Parish Council will be present at this meeting, which is held with the knowledge and blessing of the Warden.

Rodney Dale

Bar Hill Residents Association
From the Secretary's Notepad

At the last Committee Meeting it was announced by the Membership Secretary, Mr. Levitt, that we now have over 300 paid-up members of the Association. This, we are happy to say, is the result of some hard work being put in by Committee members, going round the Village and knocking on doors. However, some of the Committee have been somewhat disillusioned by the reluctance on the part of some residents to join, even at the non-inflated price of 50p per household.

As subscriptions are our main source of income, we are naturally disappointed that we cannot get the support of all residents - especially as a large proportion of our money is spent every year on the Newsletter, which is of course delivered free to every householder.

In the face of ever-increasing costs in the production of the Newsletter, we are being forced to consider ways of cutting these. One suggestion has been to restrict the Newsletter to members only. We are of course extremely reluctant to take such a step, as it would appear to alienate the very people we are encouraging to join.

It is generally accepted that this Newsletter is a worthy publication and an essential part of our community activities. For their part, the Parish Council would be hard-pressed to find a similar publication in which to give reports of their activities and decisions.

In conclusion then, there would appear to be two solutions to the problem. Firstly, that the Committee should look into the possibility of raising additional revenue by including advertising in the Newsletter. This of course has certain disadvantages, including the additional work in production, and the possible drop in "readability" for those readers who prefer the present format and dislike the necessity for advertising in an otherwise excellent publication. Secondly, if those residents who declined to join the Association now decided to join, in the light of this information, the problem would be solved.

Stray dogs We are once again receiving reports of stray dogs roaming the Village, causing damage, ransacking dust-bin bags, and fouling footpaths and amenity areas. We are fully aware that the majority of dog-owners are responsible people who exercise their dogs under proper control, but we would appeal to those who turn their pets loose to reconsider their communal responsibilities.

Tramps and Vamps Dance The Committee wish to thank those residents who supported our recent fancy dress dance. We were very impressed with the standard of dressing-up, or dressing-down, as the case may be. Our congratulations to the winning Tramp - regrettably nameless - and to Jackie Cunningham on being such an endearing Vamp.

Summer Fete Following the success of our Summer Fete last year, we shall be holding a similar event on Saturday, 17th July.

As before, all Village organisations are invited to take part, and any profits may be kept for their own funds. We shall be writing individually to Village organisations, and a meeting of stall-holders will be held on 24th May in the Church Centre.

School May Day - 18th May The Residents Association will be running the White Elephant stall at the School May Day, so if residents have anything resembling one, or any other knickknacks, would they please contact:

Eric Levitt, 27 Otlands Avenue (80266)
Wilf Bishop, 18 Acorn Avenue, (80231)
Kevin Read-Jones, 23 Fox Hollow (80384).

K. R.-J.

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